1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA LUIS VEGA, 10 11 Plaintiff, No. CIV S-02-1977 MCE KJM P 12 VS. 13 EDWARD S. ALAMEIDA, JR., et al., 14 Defendants. DISCOVERY ORDER 15 Defendant Branich has answered the amended complaint. As provided by this 16 17 order and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 1, 16, and 26-36, discovery shall proceed as 18 follows: 19 1. Discovery requests shall be served by the party seeking the discovery on all parties to the action. Discovery requests shall not be filed with the court except when required 20 21 by Local Rules 30-250(a), 33-250(c), 34-250(c) and 36-250(c); 22 2. Responses to written discovery requests shall be due forty-five days after the 23 request is served; 24 25 ¹ If an attorney has filed a document with the court on behalf of any defendant, then plaintiff must serve documents on that attorney and not on the defendant. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 26 5(b).

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- 3. The parties are cautioned that filing of discovery requests or responses, except as required by rule of court, may result in an order of sanctions, including, but not limited to, a recommendation that the action be dismissed or the answer stricken;
- 4. As provided by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 30(a), defendant may depose plaintiff and any other witness confined in a prison upon condition that, at least fourteen days before such a deposition, defendant serve all parties with the notice required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(1); and
- 5. If disputes arise about the parties' obligations to respond to requests for discovery, the parties shall comply with all pertinent rules including Rules 5, 7, 11, 26, and 37 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Rules 5-134, 5-135, 6-136, 7-130, 7-131, 7-132, 11-110, 43-140, and 78-230(m) of the Local Rules of Practice for the United States District Court, Eastern District of California; unless otherwise ordered, Local Rule 37-251 shall not apply. Filing of a discovery motion that does not comply with all applicable rules may result in imposition of sanctions, including but not limited to denial of the motion.

DATED: October 12, 2005.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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